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UNCTAD CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

At its 852nd meeting, on 30 September 1994, the Trade and Development Board:

(a) Approved the calendar of meetings up to and including the second part of the forty-first session starting on 20 March 1995;

(b) Took note of the indicative calendar for the remainder of 1995 for planning purposes.

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UNCTAD CALENDAR OF MEETINGS [1/] [2/]

A. Calendar of meetings for the remainder of 1994

Meeting	Date
United Nations Conference on Natural Rubber, 1994, second part	3-14 October
United Nations International Symposium on Trade Efficiency	17-21 October (Columbus, Ohio)
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Restrictive Business Practices, thirteenth session	24-28 October
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Iron Ore, third session	24-26 October
Ad Hoc Group of Experts on Risk Management in Commodities Trade	26-28 October
STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES, third session	31 October-4 November
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Tungsten, third session	7-9 November
Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-fourth session	7-11 November
STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, second session	14-18 November
High-level Meeting on Trade, Environment and Development	21-22 November
Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre, UNCTAD/GATT [3/]	21-25 November
Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Accountancy Training and Development	24-25 November
Ad Hoc Working Group on Trade, Environment and Development, first session	28 November-2 December
Joint UNCTAD/IMO Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Maritime Liens and Mortgages and Related subjects	5-9 December

B. Calendar of meetings for the first quarter of 1995

Meeting	Date
Expert Group Meeting on Women in Development in the Least Developed Countries	24-26 January (Niamey, Niger)
Symposium for Land-locked and Transit Developing Countries (GA resolution 48/169)	6-8 February (Venue to be determined)
Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting, thirteenth session	13-17 February
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Restrictive Business Practices, fourteenth session	6-10 March
Expert Group Meeting on Fiscal Policy Reforms in the Least Developed Countries	16-17 March
TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD, forty-first session, second part	20-31 March

C. Indicative calendar of meetings for the remainder of 1995

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Role of Enterprises in Development, first session	3-7 April
Expert Group Meeting on Trade Diversification in the Least Developed Countries	3-5 April
Working Party on the Medium-Term Plan and the Programme Budget, twenty-fifth session	10-13 April
Commission on Transnational Corporations, twenty-first session	24-28 April
Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre, UNCTAD/GATT [3/]	(1 week in April)
Ad Hoc Working Group on Trading Opportunities in the New International Trading Context, first session	1-5 May

C. Indicative calendar of meetings for the remainder of 1995 (cont'd)

Meeting	Date
Ad Hoc Working Group on Trade, Environment and Development, second session	8-12 May
Commission on Science and Technology for Development, second session [1/]	15-24 May
Expert Group on External Financing and Debt in the Least Developed Countries	[22-24 May]
STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPING SERVICES SECTORS: FOSTERING COMPETITIVE SERVICES SECTORS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, third session	29 May-2 June
Meeting of Governmental Experts of Donor Countries and Multilateral and Bilateral Financial and Technical Assistance Institutions with Representatives of the Least Developed Countries (GA resolution 48/171, para. 16)	29 May-2 June
Seminar on Regional Economic Arrangements and their Relationship with the Multilateral Trading System	7-9 June
STANDING COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION, third session	12-16 June
STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPING SERVICES SECTORS: Shipping, third session	19-23 June
STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, third session	26-30 June
Ad Hoc Working Group on the Role of Enterprises in Development, second session	3-7 July
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Rules of Origin	19-21 July
Ad Hoc Working Group on Trading Opportunities in the New International Trading Context, second session	28 August-1 September

C. Indicative calendar of meetings for the remainder of 1995

Meeting	Date
TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD, forty-second session, first part	11-22 September
High-level Intergovernmental Meeting on the Mid-Term Global Review on the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s (GA resolution 48/171)	25 September-6 October
STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPING SERVICES SECTORS: Insurance, third session	9-13 October
Ad Hoc Working Group on Trade, Environment and Development, third session, if required	16-18 October
Special Committee on Preferences, twenty-second session	23-27 October
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Iron Ore, fourth session	25-27 October
STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES, fourth session	30 October-3 November
Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Tungsten, fourth session	6-8 November
Ad Hoc Working Group on the Role of Enterprises in Development, third session if required	6-10 November
Third United Nations Conference to Review All Aspects of the Multilaterally Agreed Equitable Principles and Rules of the Control of Restrictive Business Practices (para. 17 of the resolution adopted at the Second Conference - annex to document TD/RBP/CONF.3/9)	13-24 November
Ad Hoc Working Group to Explore the Issue of Structural Adjustment for the Transition to Disarmament	November/December

C. Indicative calendar of meetings for the remainder of 1995 (cont'd)

Meeting	Date
Ad Hoc Working Group on Trading Opportunities, in the New International Trading Context, third session, if required	[December]
TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD, special session (to prepare for UNCTAD IX) 4/	4-15 December

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Ad Hoc Working Groups	As required (up to 16 weeks)
Commodity conferences and other commodity meetings (1994-1995)	As required (up to 24 weeks)
Working parties, study groups and experts groups	As required (up to 20 weeks)

Notes

1/ Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings will be held in Geneva. All meetings listed are subject to a written notification, which is normally dispatched six weeks before the opening date.

2/ The Board will meet in short one-day or half-day executive sessions at the level of Permanent Representatives immediately before its regular sessions, and periodically in between.

3/ Listed for information only.

4/ Consideration would need to be given to the timing of UNCTAD IX. It is recalled that UNCTAD VIII was originally scheduled to be held in the Summer of 1991, but practical problems regarding the hosting of the Conference resulted in its being held in February 1992. Rule 1 of the rules of procedure of the Conference provides: "The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development...shall normally meet at intervals of not more than four years." The present paper is based on the assumption, as suggested by some delegations, that UNCTAD IX would take place in February/March 1996, i.e. four years after UNCTAD VIII was actually held.